

### WITH THE COLORS

The following letter was written to Mayor Bartlett, by a former Estacada boy.

Dear Sir:

I am feeling fine, altho it is hard for a western man to get climat-ed here. Thousands of wounded men are arriving every day from over-seas. The largest base hospital in the U. S. is here in Baltimore, and hundreds of legless and armless men can be found on the streets. The weather is some cold, a cold wave having been sweeping over the Eastern States. I went up to New York and saw the stranded transport, the Northern Pacific, on the reefs. It was a wonderful scene in which the soldiers were removed from the transport.

There is just one Estacada boy in this camp besides myself and his name is Earl Tracy, and he lives in Garfield. Guess you know him no doubt.

Well, Mr. Bartlett, I am all business, am in charge of four fire engine houses, and they sure keep me on the go, so have not much time to write. It will be some time before I am even considered in the muster for a discharge, so guess I will have to stick to old Uncle Sam until next August or September.

Senior Sgt. Walter Whitbeck,  
Fire Chief, Camp Holabird-  
Baltimore. Md. Jan. 6, 1919,

### OVERSEAS

Brest, France,  
December 12, 1918.

Dear Mother:

We were a long time in getting across, twelve days. I didn't get seasick but a number of the bunch did. Had only one day of rough weather, but it surely was rough. Coming back will likely make it in about half the time.

This is a deportation camp here. Things are quite comfortable; about all some of the fellows can find to kick about is the mud, they never lived in Oregon.

The French are fine to us, and they certainly have had a terrible time during the war. The farming is as far from being up-to-date as one could imagine. We have seen women leading the oxen and old men or boys, sometimes girls holding the plows.

I have had some mail at last since we got over. Heard there was a lot of mail rolled off a barge yesterday, suppose some of it is for me. How is grandpa? Tell him that Oregon fern grows

here and that the rain comes down just as often as it does in Oregon. We have been doing longshore duty, but tomorrow we are going to Brest to act as President Wilson's honor guard. He is due at Brest sometime tomorrow.

I suppose you are wondering when I shall be home. I don't know and could not tell if I did, but I think we shall be here two more months. Uncle Sam gave us each a half pound of candy, also tobacco yesterday. I must close now clean up and get ready to go down and meet the President. Goodbye,

Clyde Schock.

### UPPER EAGLE CREEK

Mrs. J. W. Cahill called on Mrs. Linda Hoffmeister Monday afternoon.

The Woodle hill road is being crosslaid. Over six roads are now laid.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Douglass were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Douglass Sunday.

Those who were on the sick list are improving. Bob and Grace Cahill have returned to school.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Douglass and daughter Florice, visited with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Duus of Garfield on Monday.

A number of farmers of Lower and Upper Eagle Creek are loading a couple cars of potatoes to be shipped to Portland.

Will Douglass having received word that his brother Carl was accidently killed during target practice at Fort Stevens, left for Portland to help with the body.

The Douglass Mutual Telephone Company held its annual meeting on Monday evening and the following officers were elected, J. P. Woodle, reelected Pres.; W. H. Douglass, Vice Pres.; H. S. Gibson, reelected Secretary and Treas.; and Will Douglass reelected Director.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincerest thanks to the neighbors and friends for their great kindness to us during the illness and death of our dear wife and mother, Elizabeth A. Munger.

Roy E. Munger and children,  
Eagle Creek, Oregon.

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# NEW TRAIN SCHEDULE

*Beginning Sunday,  
January 5th, 1919*

TRAINS LEAVE ESTACADA  
FOR PORTLAND:

6:55 a. m., 8:52 a. m., 12:52 p. m., 4:52 p. m.

TRAINS LEAVE PORTLAND  
FOR ESTACADA:

6:45 a. m., 10:45 a. m., 2:45 p. m., 4:45 p. m.

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